IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

WILLIAMS et al.

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and Use Thereof

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Request for Oral Hearing Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Appellants request an oral hearing of the appeal for the above-identified patent application. The fee (for a large entity) for filing a Request for an Oral Hearing pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(3) is provided in the attached PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. It is not believed that any extensions of time are necessary for this request. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are required to preserve this request for oral argument, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our deposit account 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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